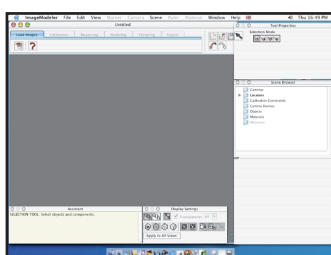


# On your 2 CDs...

**DOUBLE CD EVERY ISSUE!** This month, we have two jam-packed CDs, including 3D model creator REALVIZ *ImageModeler 3.5*, Macromedia *Director MX* and Astarte's *webEdition*



## IMAGE MODELER 3.5



ImageModeler can create a 3D model from just two photographs.

➤ Creating 3D models can be both time-consuming and complex, but REALVIZ's *ImageModeler 3.5* offers an innovative and intuitive approach to this task. *ImageModeler* extracts 3D information from stills to construct accurate 3D models with photorealistic textures. Automatic texturing from photographs dramatically reduces the time it takes to create high-quality models compared to traditional 3D modelling applications. You only need two photographs shot from slightly different angles to create a 3D environment of a scene – although more photos are preferable for complex images. By marking corresponding points on the two images (a minimum of ten points are required) the 3D geometry can be interpolated by comparing the points on each image.

*ImageModeler* is multifaceted and can be employed by 3D content creators working in a number of industries. It can be used for modelling scenes or buildings for architectural purposes, such as calculations and 3D surveys from photographs, or for creating 3D virtual visits and the fast creation of photorealistic backdrops. It can also be used for human modelling, industrial design, animation and special effects, or for the simple creation of photorealistic objects compatible with Web 3D formats.

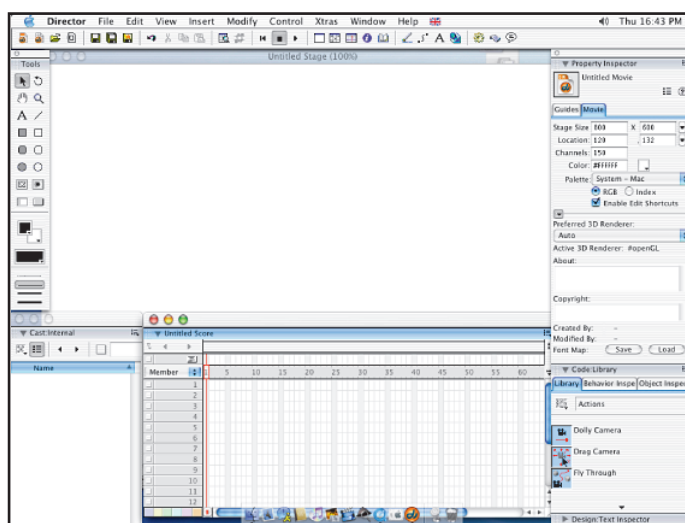
Most recently, *ImageModeler* was used by effects house View Studio in its work on the visual effects in the Tom Cruise/Steven Spielberg movie *Minority Report*.

## MACROMEDIA DIRECTOR MX

➤ The MX release of Macromedia's heavyweight authoring package, *Director*, brings it in line with the other MX Studio products: *Flash*, *Dreamweaver*, and *Fireworks*.

*Director MX* now has the familiar clutter-free MX docking window interface, which is a common trait in Macromedia products, and it can be customised to suit your working habits. It has previously been possible to import Flash files into *Director*, but in this MX incarnation, it can create new Flash objects and enable more Lingo control over Flash elements.

*Director MX* can now access the functions of the Macromedia Flash Communication Server to create multiuser games, distance-learning applications and real-time collaboration. Other improvements with this version include better support for video for the Web with QuickTime 6 streaming MPEG-4 video. Macromedia has recognised the needs of the disabled, satisfying recommended guidelines and legislated requirements for accessible software.



The MX release brings Director in line with other Macromedia applications.

*Director MX* enables the addition of text-to-speech, captioning, and tab navigation features to Internet-based Shockwave content or standalone applications on both Windows and Macintosh systems. This means that you

will not require a screen reader. Although the application itself is OS X only, *Director MX* enables you to create executables that will run on Mac OS X or OS 9.

See our full review of *Director MX* on page 92.

### MACFORMAT CD 1

#### Reviewed/Demos

Director MX  
REALVIZ ImageModeler 3.5  
Jedi Knight 2  
Intego Personal Backup X  
Photoshop Elements

#### Customisation toolkit

**Desktop enhancements**  
Calindock  
Default Folder 1.64 X  
WorkStrip X  
Drag strip 4.0  
Dragthing 4.5.2  
DropPrint 1.4  
Macintosh Explorer 3.2 X  
Paradocks 1.3  
Space App  
Younds  
SwapTop

voicecom  
**Screensavers**  
Bliss saver 2.3.2 demo  
DFX demo Screensaver  
Flurry  
Huepfer saver  
Mac OS X Screensavers  
Marine Aquarium 1.12  
Nethe Particles  
pileup  
saverlab  
SkyFly  
Solar Winds  
**Icons**  
Snow.E  
pic2icon  
iconographer X  
Apple Rendezvous

#### Business

Activity and Expense tracker 1.51 X  
BLT X o.2  
Busy Guy 1.0  
Code Barre X  
iWork  
Small Business Tracker X

#### Games

Burning Monkey Puzzle Lab  
Deep Trouble  
Doulber Demo  
Gameranger  
Gravitass  
Nosedive Prowl  
rap 11

#### Resources

Flash Player 6  
Graphic Converter X 4.4.3

Internet Explorer 5.2.1 X  
Mozilla 1.1 X  
Netscape x 7  
Stuffit Expander X 7.0  
Windows Media Player 7.1.2  
Chimera 0.6  
**Internet**  
iSMS  
MacWise  
NetToolbox 2.2b1  
PodNews 3  
Popup Zapper Lite

#### Utilities

iPulse  
Jaguar Cache Cleaner 1.51  
Mr Gzip  
File Deamon  
Web Confidential  
Jotz 1.1.041

# WARCRAFT III



Humans and Orcs battle for rule of Azeroth in this RTS.

➤ *Warcraft III* is a RTS (Real-Time Strategy) game set in a Tolkien-esque fantasy world. This fictional world is populated by Dwarfs, Elves, Humans and Orcs, each fighting for survival and the rule of the world of Azeroth. Each race has its own fighting units, magical abilities, as well as artillery and weapons of war.

As well as the standard units, Heroes add an RPG (role-play) element to the game – these special characters evolve as

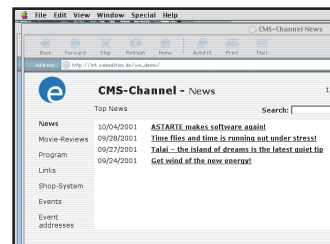
the game progresses, acquiring new items and skills to make them more powerful fighters. You will also come across Creeps; a neutral unit that generally does not like you, regardless of your race.

*Warcraft III* uses a stunning 3D engine, providing a fully interactive world that incorporates non-player characters, wandering monsters, neutral towns, strongholds and temples and environmental effects.

# ASTARTE WEBEDITION

➤ *ASTARTE webEdition* is a database-driven Web content-management system that can store all content information, such as text, images, graphics, Flash movies and style sheets in a central database. Changing the content is easy if the page needs to be edited, as you only need to alter the database entry and then resave the corresponding page. Additionally, the content stored in the database can be rapidly searched or used in other ways, for example, as a central repository.

*webEdition* is based on MySQL, a database supported by many of the major ISPs. This means that there is a



Build a content-managed site from a Web interface with Astarte's webEdition 2.02.

central database which contains all the content on the Website that you wish to manage with this application. Users only see their Websites and the input boxes on the Web pages themselves. The program only has to be installed on the service provider's (ISP) server once. Anything else you wish to do can be handled with a standard Web browser.

# FORMULA ONE CHAMPIONSHIP SEASON 2000

➤ *Formula One Championship Season 2000* is the first F1 simulation to be available on the Mac, and it's the first F1 game to feature the tracks and teams of the 2000 Formula One season. You can put yourself in the driving seat of Michael Schumacher's Ferrari or the McLaren of David Coulthard, or you can rewrite history and take an outsider to World Championship glory. With in-depth



Be part of a classic Formula One season.

behind-the-scenes technical support from the Orange Arrows and Benetton Formula One teams, you can enter the world of Formula One racing and race against the professionals.

## MACFORMAT CD 2

### Reviewed/Demos

- Warcraft III
- Formula 1 Racing season
- Astarte webEdition 2.02
- Omni Graffiti
- Omni Outliner
- Brickhouse

### Shareware/Freeware Business

- Agenda 2.5
- Coffee Break Pro
- Virtual TimeClock
- ProjectPlanner 1.4.5

### Games

- Descender

### Internet

- Email Magician
- SmartDog 1.0
- Speed Downloader
- Thoth 1.51

### Utilities

- Earth Browser
- HTML Converter 2.0
- Lisa
- MacArmy Knife

### Multimedia and Design

- 3ivx D4 4.0 PR2
- Evocam 3.0
- mp3vooodoo
- Mpegger Drop Decoder
- Sweet Midi Player

### Resources

- Acrobat Reader 5.0
- Communicator 4.79
- Graphic Converter 4.4.3
- Flash Player 6
- Internet Explorer 5.1.5
- Mozilla 1.1

### Netscape 7

- Outlook Express 5.0.5
- Real Player Installer
- Shockwave Installer
- Stuffit Expander 7
- Windows Media Player 7.1.2

### Tutorials

- Facts and Figures
- Photoshop

## CD RETURNS INFORMATION

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